

REMARKS

Claim Objections

The Examiner has objected to claims 25 and 48 as allegedly containing typographical errors. As regards line 13 of claim 25, Applicant submits that the claim does not contain typographical errors as filed. However, when claim 25 is viewed on PAIR, there appears to have been a corruption in the electronic filing transmission making line 13 of the claim illegible. Applicant respectfully submits that line 13 of amended claim 25 in the present application contains the same wording as line 13 of claim 25 submitted in the previous Amendment.

As regards claim 48, the Examiner has objected to the phrase "the high orderer" as either containing a typographical error or lacking antecedent basis. Applicant respectfully submits that the phrase "the high orderer" as viewed in PAIR is again the result of a corruption in the electronic filing transmission. In claim 48 as submitted in the previous Amendment, the word "high" was struck through indicating a deletion rather than being underlined as it appears in PAIR. Thus, the phrase should have appeared as "the ~~high~~ orderer" indicating that the word "high" should be deleted. Claim 48 as amended in the present application reflects the intended deletion of the word "high" by its omission from the phrase.

Applicant has, however, amended claim 48 to correct a typographical error in line 9. Specifically, the phrase "said terminal of the order" has been amended to recite "said terminal of the ~~order~~ orderer."

Applicant respectfully requests that the objections to claims 25 and 48 be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-3, 5, 7-32, 34 and 36-47 --- 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-3, 5, 7-32, 34 and 36-47 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2005/0213146 to Parulski ("Parulski"). Claims 5 and 34 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Independent claims 1, 14, 23, 25, 39 and 48 have been amended to recite that image processing of still image data is processed on an image processing apparatus of a photo print laboratory. These amendments are supported throughout the specification and drawings at least, for example, at pages 11, 21, 24-28 and figure 4. Applicant submits that no new matter has been added. Applicant now traverses the rejection.

Parulski does not disclose or suggest at least wherein said processing apparatus of the order receiver is an image processing apparatus of a photo print laboratory, as recited in the amended claims.

Parulski is directed to remotely configuring cameras or other imaging devices using software, for example, firmware modules executed by a processor that controls the imaging device (page 2, paragraph [0027]). Parulski's system and method include a product customization center which communicates over the Internet with a customer's computer, allowing a customer to configure and purchase a customized imaging device (page 2, paragraph [0031]). Parulski also discloses an electronic database of imaging devices and software programs which provide image processing features that may be incorporated into the customized digital imaging device (Fig. 1; page 2, paragraph [0032]; page 3, paragraphs [0035-0036]).

In other words, Parulski allows a user to remotely customize and purchase an imaging device, for example, a camera or printer, whereby the customized imaging device subsequently produces images in accordance with the customization. Thus, Parulski does not address obtaining a high-definition processed image by performing image processing on the image processing apparatus of a photo print laboratory.

As regards Parulski's disclosure of image processing in paragraph [0036] alleged by the Examiner, Applicant respectfully submits that paragraph [0036] relates to demonstrating customizable features of the digital imaging device provided as part of Parulski's electronic database.

More specifically, the electronic database includes software programs which depict the functionality of features that a customer can choose to customize the digital imaging device (paragraph [0036]). The software programs may demonstrate features such as redeye removal, but the image is processed by way of demonstration of a particular feature available for incorporation into the digital imaging device. Parulski does not disclose or suggest that the image processing is performed by the image processing apparatus of a photo print laboratory.

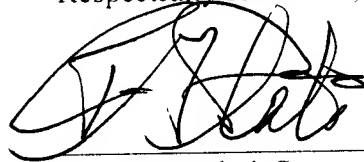
Accordingly, Parulski is silent as to obtaining a high-definition processed image by performing image processing on the image processing apparatus of a photo print laboratory as recited in the claims, and does not anticipate Applicant's claims. Therefore, claims 1-3, 7-32, and 36-47 are patentable over Parulski. Further, claim 48 contains features similar to the features recited in independent claims 1, 14, 23, 25 and 39, and is therefore patentable for similar reasons.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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